

Werner's Weekly Newsletter

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Teacher Notes:

Thanks to all who sent in a new book for the book drive or an item for the Warren County Animal Shelter!

The family night for the book fair is next Wednesday from 4-7. The PTO is also having a pancake dinner that night from 5-7; please pre-order your tickets. Hope to see you there!

Don't forget to order your personalized Santa letters for your children. Also, the RFL Team is having child care from 1-4 on Saturday, December 12th to raise money for the American Cancer Society.

Language Arts:

We have been learning about the letter "s" and our 5 senses. I love teaching the 5 senses; there are so many fun things to do to help the children understand this concept. We made 2 books about our 5 senses. The first book was about popcorn, because we use all of our senses with popcorn. In the book, we also learned about other things that we hear (soft/loud), things that we smell (good/bad), things that we see (straight/curved), things that we touch (soft/hard), and things that we taste (salty/sweet). The other book was blank, and we cut out pictures from magazines; each page was devoted to one sense. We found 3 pictures for each sense page. After we found the pictures, we labeled the pictures. Please take a look at these books and the other completed projects, and spend some time discussing the 5 senses with your child. The holidays are a great time to look, listen, smell, touch, and my favorite, taste.

Math:

We were able to tie our letter "s" into math by making a snake with numbers and making patterns on the "s" shaped snake on the floor. Some of the patterns were very complex, but most of the children were able to identify the patterns and continue the patterns. It was a lot of fun to sort ourselves according to what our silly socks looked like. To emphasize our sense of sight, we made a graph about the color of our eyes, and then we tried to throw a bean bag into a bucket with and without our blindfolds. We also began learning about rectangles, and we were able to find lots in our classroom. See how many rectangles you can find in your home.

Other Activities:

In center time, we made shiny stars, sorted pictures according to which for the 5 senses that we use, and wrote letters with smelly soap.

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Upcoming Events:

- December 9-
Evening Book
Fair and
Pancake Supper

Special Reminders:

- Ice Cream for Kindergarten is on Mondays! Please send in 65 cents to purchase ice cream. If you do not wish for your child to have ice cream, please let us know.
- Please send all money in the Ziploc baggie in your child's folder with a note telling us what the money is for.
- Please notify us of any changes to your child's dismissal procedure immediately with a handwritten note or a phone call.
- Please return your child's folder daily!
- You may send in a disposable camera with your child's name for use throughout the year.

Homework:

Please choose a skill to practice with your child nightly. Spending just 10 minutes every night reviewing cursive letter writing, letter recognition, letter sounds, number writing, sight word recognition etc. will make a huge difference in your child's learning.

Next Week:

We will continue learning about various holiday traditions from other countries and begin learning about the letter "r" and reindeer.

*"You only have to
read on the days
you eat!"*

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questions and concerns:
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